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OF PERSONS WITH HANDICAPS, INCLUDING DISABLED VETERANS

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[REDACTED] STAT Room 836, Ames Building.


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Director

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

FROM : F. W. M. Janney
Director of Personnel

VIA : Acting Deputy Director for Administration

SUBJECT : 1978 Plan of Action for Employment, Placement,
and Advancement of Handicapped Persons,
Including Disabled Veterans

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1. Action Requested: This memorandum requests your approval of the attached Headquarters Notice (attachment A), and the Selective Placement Program paper which includes a Report of Accomplishments for 1977, an Introduction to the 1978 Plan, and a Plan of Action for 1978 (attachment B).

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2. Basic Data: Section 501 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (Public Law 93-112), as amended, and Section 403 of the Vietnam Era Veterans' Readjustment Act of 1974 (Public Law 93-508) direct all agencies in the Executive Branch to develop and submit annually to the Civil Service Commission comprehensive affirmative action programs for the hiring, placement, and advancement of handicapped individuals, disabled veterans, and employees who become disabled on the job. Civil Service Commission instructions as contained in FPM Letter 306-12 (attachment C), require that an Agency policy statement be issued which clearly indicates top management's commitment and support of these programs and that a report of accomplishments addressing the objectives of the plan for the previous year be submitted with the new annual Plan of Action. A program assessment is required for the first time this year and is contained in Part C of the Selective Placement Program paper.

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Since the inception of the formal program in 1974, the Agency has made most progress in the areas of removal of architectural barriers and hiring. Ramps have been installed, restrooms reconfigured, and special parking spaces made available. We have hired 37 persons (4 so far in 1977) with handicaps of varying degrees of severity (from extreme nearsightedness to muscular dystrophy, cerebral palsy, and total deafness). We estimate that there are about 100 handicapped employees on duty, however, since the original information was obtained through a component managerial survey and not by employee participation, we believe this figure to be on the low side. Plans are under

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consideration for conducting a survey on this subject, based on guidelines from the Civil Service Commission. The survey would require a self-identification by each employee as to the existence, or non-existence, of a handicapping condition.

3. Recommendation. It is recommended that the Headquarters Notice and Selective Placement Program paper be approved.

(Signed) F. W. M. Janney

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APPROVED/DISAPPROVED:

/s/ Stansfield Turner
Director of Central Intelligence

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